UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

DAME PRODUCTS,

Plaintiff,

-against-

THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY ("MTA"), JANNO LIEBER, individually and in his official capacity as Chief Development Officer and President of MTA Capital Construction, and PAT FOYE, individually and in his official capacity as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the MTA.

Defendants.

Case No.: 1:19-cv-05649-PKC

STIPULATION AND PROTECTIVE ORDER

Subject to the Court's approval, the parties in the above-captioned action (this "Action")—i.e., Plaintiff Dame Products and Defendants Metropolitan Transportation Authority ("MTA"), Janno Lieber, and Pat Foye, (individually, a "Party," and collectively, the "Parties")—hereby stipulate to the following protective order pursuant to Rule 26(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. This Stipulation and Protective Order (i) limits the review, copying, dissemination, and filing of confidential material (as defined herein), and (ii) sets forth the procedures for designating and protecting such material.

## Designation of Discovery Materials as Confidential

1. This Stipulation and Protective Order shall apply to, and govern, all confidential information, as defined in Paragraph 3 herein ("Confidential Material"). This Confidential Material could include but is not limited to: (a) information disclosed in depositions; (b) documents produced in response to requests for production of documents; (c) answers to interrogatories; (d) responses to requests for admissions; (e) all other discovery in any form; and (f) all copies thereof and information contained therein.

2. When used in this Stipulation and Protective Order, the phrase "Disclosing Party" shall refer to the Parties producing Confidential Material or privileged or otherwise protected information, and the phrase "Receiving Party" shall refer to the Parties receiving Confidential Material or privileged or otherwise protected information from a Disclosing Party.

3.

- A Disclosing Party may designate as "CONFIDENTIAL" any information a. (such party shall be referred to as "Designating Party"), whether or not embodied in any physical or electronic medium, that the Disclosing Party believes in good faith constitutes (a) information that must be maintained in confidence pursuant to a confidentiality agreement, contractual provision, or court order; and/or (b) trade secrets, proprietary business information, competitively sensitive information, or other similar information not generally known the public disclosure of which would, in the good faith judgment of the Party designating the material as confidential, be detrimental to the conduct of that Party's operations, business or the business of any of that Party's customers or clients; and/or (c) information that falls into one or more of the following categories: (i) sensitive personally-identifying information such as personal addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, birth dates, Social Security numbers, driver's license numbers, and IP addresses; (ii) medical, psychological, or mental health records and other medical information; (iii) financial account information and/or Social Security numbers; (iv) dates of birth; or (v) information required to be kept confidential by law or by court order, provided however that any person or entity has the right to waive confidentiality with respect to information pertaining to him, her, or it to the extent permitted under law.
- b. The Parties acknowledge that the MTA, as a public authority of the State of New York, is subject to the provisions of Public Officers Law §§ 84-90, commonly referred to

as the New York State Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL"). As such, the MTA is required to provide access to agency records in accordance with the provisions of FOIL. In the event that the MTA is requested to disclose any of Plaintiff's Confidential Material pursuant to FOIL, the MTA will comply with the requirements of FOIL and, to the extent not inconsistent with such compliance, provide Plaintiff with written notice of such request or requirement at least ten (10) business days before the MTA's planned disclosure of the Confidential Material so that Plaintiff may seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy.

- c. Subject to Paragraph 3(a), if the Receiving Party is required by law to disclose any Confidential Material, it will immediately notify the Disclosing Party to permit the Disclosing Party to seek a protective order or take other appropriate action. The Receiving Party will cooperate in the Disclosing Party's efforts to obtain a protective order or other assurance that Confidential Material will remain confidential. If, in the absence of a protective or other order prohibiting disclosure, the Receiving Party, in the written opinion of its legal counsel, is advised to disclose the Confidential Material, it may disclose only the part of the Confidential Material as advised to be disclosed.
- 4. All transcripts of depositions taken in this Action will be treated as Confidential Material in their entirety for thirty (30) days after receipt of a final copy of the deposition transcript. During that thirty (30) day period, any party may designate as Confidential Material any portion of the transcript, by page and line, and any deposition exhibits related to the subject areas described in Paragraph 3 herein, and such designation must be provided to Plaintiff's counsel and Defendants' counsel in writing to be deemed effective. Any portion of a deposition transcript or exhibits not so designated during the thirty (30) day period will not be treated as Confidential Material.

5. Confidential Material shall be treated as confidential and not disclosed, except to the extent provided in this Stipulation and Protective Order or as otherwise ordered by the Court.

#### Who May Receive Confidential Material & Use Limitations

- 6. Confidential Material subject to this Stipulation and Protective Order may be used only for purposes of this Action and shall not be disclosed by the Receiving Party to anyone other than those listed in Paragraph 9 herein, except by prior written agreement of the Parties or by order of the Court. Any person receiving Confidential Material shall use reasonable measures to store and maintain the Confidential Material so as to prevent unauthorized disclosure. Reasonable measures include, but are not limited to, taking any necessary action to maintain the security and integrity of data and files.
- 7. Persons to whom Confidential Material is disclosed per Paragraph 9 herein shall be informed, prior to being shown materials marked as "CONFIDENTIAL," that he/she (i) is being shown such materials solely for use in this Action, and (ii) shall not retain any documents marked as "CONFIDENTIAL" after the termination of this Action.
- 8. The recipient of any Confidential Material that is provided under this Stipulation and Protective Order shall use reasonable efforts to prevent any disclosure thereof, except in accordance with the terms of this Stipulation and Protective Order. All copies, reproductions, summarizations, extractions, and abstractions of the Confidential Material shall be subject to the terms of this Stipulation and Protective Order and labeled in the same manner as the designated material upon which they are based.
- 9. In the absence of an order of the Court or by agreement of the Parties,
  Confidential Material may be disclosed or made available only to the following persons:

- a. The named parties to this Action and the attorneys working on this Action on behalf of any party, including both outside counsel and inhouse/agency attorneys, as well as any paralegals, staff, stenographic and clerical employees, and contractors working under the direct supervision of such counsel, including but not limited to any electronic discovery vendors;
- b. Any expert or consultant who is expressly retained by any attorney described in Paragraph 9(a) to assist in this Action, and their employees, with disclosure only to the extent reasonably necessary to perform such work;

### c. Any deponent:

- if it appears that the deponent authored or received a copy of the Confidential Material;
- ii. if it appears that the deponent was involved in the subject matter described therein;
- iii. if the deponent is employed by the Disclosing Party; or
- iv. if the Disclosing Party consents to such disclosure.
- d. Any current or future members of the MTA Advertising Committee and MTA senior executives to the extent reasonably necessary to Defendants' defense of this Action;
- e. The Court, jury, court personnel, court reporters, and other persons connected with the Court; and

- f. Any other person whom the Disclosing Party agrees in writing may have access to such Confidential Material.
- 10. The persons described in Paragraphs 9(b), 9(c)(iv), 9(d), and 9(f) herein shall have access to the Confidential Material only after: (a) counsel retaining, representing, interviewing, or deposing those persons has provided a copy of this Stipulation and Protective Order to such persons for review; and (b) those persons manifest their assent to be bound by the provisions of this Stipulation and Protective Order by signing a copy of the annexed Counsel shall produce a copy of any executed "NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENT." "NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENT" to opposing counsel upon request prior to such person being permitted to testify (at deposition or trial) in the Action or at the conclusion of the Action, whichever comes first, except that counsel need not produce a "NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENT" executed by any expert or consultant retained only for consulting purposes. Counsel shall retain copies of the signed "NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENT" until the completion of this Action and the return or destruction of Confidential Material in accordance Inadvertent failure to provide the NONDISCLOSURE with Paragraph 27 herein. AGREEMENT to any individual shall not be deemed a material breach of this agreement and shall be remedied immediately upon discovery.

## Designating and Producing Confidential Material

11. Other than deposition transcripts and exhibits, the Disclosing Party or counsel thereof shall designate Confidential Material by stamping or otherwise clearly marking as "CONFIDENTIAL" the material in a manner that will not interfere with legibility or audibility.

12. If a Disclosing Party has designated a document or information as "CONFIDENTIAL," that Disclosing Party may remove such document or information from the scope of that protection by notifying all Parties in writing and re-producing the document or information without such designation.

## Objecting to Confidentiality Designations

"CONFIDENTIAL" designation, such Party shall provide to the Designating Party written notice of its disagreement with the designation, describing with particularity the Confidential Material in question, and stating the grounds for objection. The Designating Party shall respond to the objection in writing within fourteen (14) days and shall state with particularity the grounds for asserting that the Confidential Material is properly designated. If no written response to the objection is made within fourteen (14) days, the challenged designation shall be deemed void. If a timely written response to the objection is made, counsel for the Parties shall first try to resolve the dispute in good faith by meeting and conferring. If the dispute cannot be resolved, the Party challenging the designation may request appropriate relief from the Court consistent with the Court's discovery rules. The burden shall be on the Designation is appropriate.

## Filing Confidential Material in this Action and Use at Trial

14. Any Party that intends to use only non-Confidential Material portions of a document that are reasonably separable from portions containing Confidential Material, at trial or as part of a letter, motion, or deposition, may request that the Disclosing Party provide a redacted version of that document.

- 15. Notwithstanding any other provision, no document may be filed with the Clerk under seal without a further Order of this Court addressing the specific documents or portions of documents to be sealed. Any application to seal shall be accompanied by an affidavit or affidavits and a memorandum of law, demonstrating that the standards for sealing have been met and specifically addressing the applicability of *Lugosch v. Pyramid Co. of Onondaga*, 435 F.3d 110, 119-120 (2d Cir. 2006) and any other controlling authority.
- 16. Unless otherwise ordered, a party seeking to file an opposing party's confidential information shall so advise the opposing party fourteen (14) days in advance specifying the precise portion of the information the party seeks to use, the general purpose thereof and any redactions to which the party does not object. Within seven (7) days thereafter, the party whose confidential information is sought to be used may make an application to seal in accordance with Paragraph 15, indicating the portion or portions of the information it seeks to have sealed. Nothing herein is intended to alter or modify the applicability of Rule 5.2, Fed. R. Civ. P., to this case. The redactions expressly authorized by Rule 5.2 may be made without further application to the Court.
- 17. Any documents designated as "CONFIDENTIAL" that are designated in advance by any Party as proposed trial exhibits, either pursuant to applicable pretrial procedures or otherwise, may be offered into evidence in open court after such Party gives notice to the Designating Party and affords such Designating Party with at least seven (7) days written notice to obtain an appropriate protective order from the Court.

#### Notice of Breach

18. If Confidential Material is disclosed to any person other than in the manner authorized by this Stipulation and Protective Order, the person or Party responsible for

the unauthorized disclosure must, within five (5) days of discovering the disclosure, bring all pertinent facts relating to such disclosure to the attention of the Disclosing Party and, without prejudice to any other rights and remedies of the Parties or third parties, make every effort to prevent further disclosure by it or by the person who was the unauthorized recipient of such material, and seek prompt return or destruction of the Confidential Material from the unauthorized recipient.

## Clawback of Confidential Material and Privileged Information

- 19. If at any time prior to the termination of this Action, a Party realizes that it has produced Confidential Material without designating it as such, that Party may designate such material as "CONFIDENTIAL" by promptly notifying the Parties in writing. The notification must designate the Confidential Material as "CONFIDENTIAL" according to this Stipulation and Protective Order. Such material will thereafter be treated as Confidential Material under the terms of this Stipulation and Protective Order. The Disclosing Party shall provide the Parties with replacement versions of such Confidential Material and follow the designation requirements of Paragraph 11 within (10) business days of providing such notice.
- Otherwise protected information without an appropriate designation of confidentiality, as well as the production of any Confidential Material without an appropriate designation of confidentiality, shall not be deemed a waiver or impairment of any claim of privilege or protection, including, but not limited to, the attorney-client privilege, the protection afforded to work product materials, or the subject matter thereof, or the confidential nature of any such information, in this case or in any other federal or state proceeding. This order shall be interpreted to provide the maximum protection allowed by Federal Rule of Evidence 502(d).

- 21. The Disclosing Party must notify the Receiving Party promptly, in writing, upon discovery that a privileged, protected, or Confidential document has been inadvertently produced. Upon receiving written notice from the Disclosing Party that privileged and/or work-product material has been produced, all such information, and all copies thereof, shall be returned to the Disclosing Party within ten (10) business days of receipt of such notice and the Receiving Party shall not use such information for any purpose. The Receiving Party shall also attempt, in good faith, to retrieve and return or destroy all copies of the documents or information in electronic format.
- 22. The Receiving Party may contest the privilege or work-product designation by the Disclosing Party, shall give the producing party written notice of the reason for said disagreement. However, the Receiving Party may not challenge the privilege or immunity claim by arguing that the disclosure itself is a waiver of any applicable privilege. In that instance, the Receiving Party shall, within fifteen (15) business days from the initial notice by the Disclosing Party, seek an order from the Court compelling the production of the material.

#### Rights, Limitations, and Modifications

- 23. Compliance with the terms of this Stipulation and Protective Order shall not operate as an admission that any particular document or information is or is not responsive, privileged, reflective of personally-identifying information, or admissible in this Action.
- 24. Nothing in this Stipulation and Protective Order overrides any attorney's ethical responsibilities to refrain from examining or disclosing materials that the attorney knows or reasonably should know to be privileged and to inform the Disclosing Party that such materials have been produced. Nothing contained herein will prevent, limit, or restrict the Parties in any way from objecting to or asserting an immunity or privilege in any prior or

subsequent litigation with respect to any material produced in this Action. Nothing herein is intended to limit a Party's right, if any, to properly redact information that is privileged or otherwise Confidential prior to disclosure.

- 25. Nothing contained herein is intended to or shall serve to limit a Party's right to conduct a review of documents and related information (including metadata) for responsiveness, personally-identifying information, and/or any privilege or protection recognized by law prior to production and/or disclosure.
- 26. This Stipulation and Protective Order may be changed only by further agreement of the Parties in writing or by order of the Court and is without prejudice to the right of any Party to seek modification or judicial relief of this Stipulation and Protective Order by application to the Court on notice to counsel for the other Party.
- 27. This Stipulation and Protective Order shall remain in full force and effect until modified, superseded, or terminated either by consent of the Parties, or by order of the Court.

#### Right to Assert Other Objections

28. This Stipulation and Protective Order shall not be construed to waive or diminish any right to assert a claim of privilege or an objection of relevance, overbreadth, proportionality, or other grounds for not producing material requested during discovery. Access to all material (whether or not designated as "CONFIDENTIAL") shall be granted only as provided by the discovery rules and other applicable law.

#### Severability

29. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Stipulation and Protective Order shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Stipulation and Protective Order, which shall remain in full force and effect.

## Termination of the Litigation

- 30. This Stipulation and Protective Order shall survive the termination of this Action, including any and all appeals, and remain in full force and effect unless modified by an order of this Court.
- appellate action or the expiration of time to appeal or seek further review, all Confidential Material that has been designated in accordance with all of the requirements of Paragraph 11 herein, and all copies, reproductions, summarizations, extractions, and abstractions thereof, shall be returned to the Disclosing Party or destroyed. At the conclusion of this 60-day period, counsel for each Receiving Party shall provide to counsel for the Disclosing Party a certification stating that, to counsel's knowledge and belief, the Receiving Party has either returned or made commercially-reasonable efforts to destroy all Confidential Material in accordance with this Stipulation and Protective Order. Notwithstanding the foregoing, counsel may retain Confidential Materials that (i) constitute attorney-work product, (ii) were filed with the Court and/or marked as trial exhibits, or (iii) constitute deposition transcripts and exhibits, provided that such counsel otherwise comply with the provisions of this Stipulation and Protective Order with respect to such retained material.
- 32. This Court shall retain jurisdiction over all persons subject to this Stipulation and Protective Order for so long as such persons have Confidential Material and to

the extent necessary to enforce any obligations arising hereunder or to impose sanctions for any contempt thereof.

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## SO ORDERED:

Dated: New York, New York

March  $//_{,}$  2020

Hon. P. Kevin Castel

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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Plaintiff,

-against-

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Material that is disclosed to me.

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	I,	, state that:
	1.	My personal / work (circle one) address
is		•
	2.	My present employer, if applicable, is
	3.	I have received a copy of the STIPULATION AND PROTECTIVE ORDER (the
"Stip	ulation	and Protective Order") entered in the above-entitled action on
	4.	I have carefully read and understand the provisions of the Stipulation and
Prote	ctive O	order.
	5.	I will comply with all of the provisions of the Stipulation and Protective Order.

Stipulation and Protective Order, and will use only for purposes of this Action, any Confidential

I will hold in confidence, will not disclose to anyone not qualified under the

- 7. I will return all Confidential Material that comes into my possession, and documents or things that I have prepared relating thereto, to counsel for the party by whom I am employed or retained, or to counsel from whom I received the Confidential Material.
- 8. I hereby submit to the jurisdiction of this Court for the purpose of enforcement of the Stipulation and Protective Order in this Action, and I understand that my willful violation of any term of the Stipulation and Protective Order could subject me to punishment for contempt of Court.

(Signature)	
(Printed Name)	
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